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TAGS: PORG, SZ

SUBJ: ENTITLEMENT OF NON-MEMBERS TO ADDRESS UNGA PLENARY

REF: STATE 101367

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED AGAIN SWISS PARTICIPATION IN PLENARY UNSSOD WITH POLITICAL DEPARTMENT SECRETARY GENERAL WEITNAUER. JUDGING FROM WHAT HE HAS TO SAY, WE DO NOT THINK THAT PRESSURE FOR ADDRESSING PLENARY WAS LOCALLY GENERATED. IT IS PROBABLY RATHER A FALL BACK POSITION FROM AN EARLIER PLAN THAT A HIGHER LEVEL OFFICIAL BE IN NEW YORK.

2. WEITNAUER WENT ON AT SOME LENGTH ON LONG HISTORY OF SWISS INTEREST IN DISARMAMENT, GOING BACK TO THE 1930S AND CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE WHICH SWITZERLAND WOULD PLAY. WE POINTED AGAIN TO THE DISADVANTAGES OUTLINED IN REFTEL.

3. WEITNAUER, SPEAKING PERSONALLY, SAID THAT SWISS APPEARANCE AT SSOD WOULD BE A POSITIVE STEP LEADING TOWARD EVENTUAL MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS. ON OUR PART WE, ALSO SPEAKING PERSONALLY, WONDERED WHETHER SUCH PARTICIPATION, ACCCOMPANIED BY CONTROVERSY, WOULD REALLY

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